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2. Alphabetical Designators In connection with information contained herein, specific points of interest are  referred to in this report by the following alphabetical designators:

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|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| A. Anchorage           | H. 10 thousand T drydock           |
| B. Dredge              | I. LI freighter                    |
| C. First berth         | J. <input type="text"/> freighters |
| D. Second berth        | K. Ore docks                       |
| E. Naval installations | L. Coal docks                      |
| F. Clear area          | M. Lumber docks                    |
| G. Two drydocks        |                                    |

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5. [REDACTED] 25X1

6. [REDACTED]

7. Harbor Craft Two steam tugs were used in docking, undocking and shifting berths. They were of 700-800 maximum horsepower and about 80' long. They were painted black with white and buff housing. There were five of this type of tug available in the harbor. There were "many" 100' covered steel barges available [REDACTED]

The cargo openings were closed by wooden hatch boards. All barges seem were in good condition. A "coaster" had run aground [REDACTED] during a northerly gale [REDACTED] saw a bucket dredge (1 1/2-ton bucket) attempting to extricate the vessel. it took a total of 10 days to complete the refloating. 25X1

### 8. Berth

a. [REDACTED] berth [REDACTED] This berth [REDACTED] was of stone and concrete construction with wooden timber facing. [REDACTED] There was room for three large ships at the [REDACTED] berth with the length of the face approximately 1500-1700 feet. The single-story warehouses adjacent to this berth were of brick and concrete construction with a slate roof. 25X1

[REDACTED] One standard gauge railroad track and a good road led to the warehouse area. There was a shortage of stevedores at Gdanak, and [REDACTED] the stevedores work the port of Gdynia as well as Gdanak. 25X1

[REDACTED] Due to the shortage of stevedores, the gangs used were daily "volunteers," each group acquired from the following occupations: first group - students; second - railroad employees; third - volunteer firemen; fourth - soldiers; and, finally, a group of stevedores. 25X1

[REDACTED] Access to the quay was by "good" roads and also by rail. The tracks in this case were of standard gauge and raised slightly above the level of the dock surface. 25X1

9. Naval Installations [REDACTED] a coast guard or naval station, [REDACTED] described as a "camp," [REDACTED] In the camp were numerous men in naval type uniform. [REDACTED] 25X1

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10. Ship Repair Only repair yards were sighted and no new construction was seen. 25X1  
 The drydock [ ] was visible as was a second, and "possibly more," 25X1  
 in the immediate vicinity. Also, [ ] was sighted a drydock with 25X1  
 at least a 10-thousand-ton capacity. 25X1

11. Grain Facilities A [ ] freighter [ ] was discharging grain 25X1  
 into a hopper and from there it was being loaded into railroad cars. 25X1

12.

13. Naval Vessels [ ] the Polish 25X1  
 navy contained four submarines and three destroyers. At 0500, 7 Dec 57 [ ] 25X1  
 [ ] a submarine departing Gdynia [ ] identified [ ] as the WILK 25X1  
 class. In the distance [ ] a "destroyer" toward which the submarine was 25X1  
 apparently heading. This ship carried one single-gun mount forward and one aft  
 as well as torpedo tubes on the main deck aft of amidships. There were two 25X1  
 stacks, the forward one separated from the bridge structure by a short distance 25X1

14. Shore Activities [ ] 25X1  
 [ ] The people were pleasant and nice in manner 25X1  
 and health conditions were apparently good. [ ] 25X1

15. Miscellaneous

b. Everyone was apparently afraid to "talk politics" at all, but a statement  
 was made that Gomulka had improved conditions 100%.

c. [ ] the workers' morale was worthy of comment in that they all 25X1  
 appeared to be "just working a day" rather than showing any interest in their  
 labors.

/Comment [ ] The apparent shortage of stevedores 25X1  
 defies explanation since there has been, [ ] a surplus  
 of labor in Poland. The utilization of the same stevedores in Gdynia as well  
 as Gdansk is new information. [ ]

[ ] The "destroyer" sighted may possibly 25X1  
 have been a Soviet naval vessel, but probably was a KRONSTADT class PC  
 erroneously identified due to distance. The figures for the number of DD and  
 SS in the Polish fleet are apparently not accurate. [ ]

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